

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Paragraphs 32 through 33 on pages 8-9:

D₁ Skin layer 104 has a bottom surface 106 which is affixed to the top surface 110 of 4-way stretchable material layer 112 by a permanent adhesive 108 that completely covers skin layer 104 from edge to edge. The permanent adhesive 108 can be any permanent adhesive known in the art, which will permanently bond skin layer 104 to 4-way stretchable material layer 112. An example of such a permanent adhesive is FLEXICONFLEXCON® adhesive V-402. However, it will be clear to one skilled in the art that other similar suitable adhesives may be used.

D₂ 4Four-way stretchable layer 112 has top surface 110 and a bottom surface 114, such that top surface 110 of 4-way stretchable layer 112 conforms to and is permanently affixed to bottom surface 106 of skin layer 104. 4Four-way stretchable layer 112 may be comprised of any material that can simultaneously stretch in four directions such as a polyester material; an example is MYLAR®. Bottom surface 114 of 4-way stretchable layer 112 is releasably attached to the railing or hand support system by a layer of releasable adhesive 116. Releasable adhesive 116 completely covers from edge to edge and is affixed to 4-way stretchable layer 112 and provides releasable adhesion to the railing or hand support system. Releasable adhesive 116 provides secure adhesion to the railing or hand support system but may be removed with a minimal amount of effort by peeling grip 100 off the railing or hand support system. Any adhesive having the characteristics of being secured to the railing as well as being easily removed can be utilized; a preferred An example of a releasable adhesive is FLEXICONFLEXCON® V-58.

Paragraphs 36 through 37 on pages 10-11:

3 Skin layer 204 has a bottom surface 206 which is affixed to top surface 210 of backing layer 212 by a permanent adhesive 208 which completely covers bottom surface 214 backing layer 212 from edge to edge. The permanent adhesive 208 can be any permanent adhesive known in the art, which will permanently bond skin layer 204 to backing layer 212. An example of such a permanent adhesive is FLEXICON FLEXCON® adhesive V-402. However, it will be clear to one skilled in the art that other similar suitable adhesives may be used.

4p Backing layer 212 has a top surface 210 and a bottom surface 214, such that top surface 210 of backing layer 212 conforms to and is affixed to bottom surface 206 of skin layer 204. Backing layer 212 may be comprised of any material suitable for providing support including open cell foam, closed cell foam, felt, paper or rubber. Bottom surface 214 of backing layer 212 is permanently adhered to the top surface 218 of 4-way stretchable material layer 220. The permanent adhesive 216 attaching bottom surface 214 of backing layer 212 to top surface 218 of 4-way stretchable material layer 220 can be any permanent adhesive known in the art which will permanently bond the surfaces, an example of which is FLEXICON FLEXCON® V-402. 4Four-way stretchable material layer 220 has the ability to stretch in all directions simultaneously. An example of a 4-way stretchable material is [polyurethane]a polyester material; an example is MYLAR®. Bottom surface 222 of 4-way stretchable material layer 220 is releasably attached to the railing or hand support system by releasable adhesive 224. Releasable adhesive 224 is affixed to and completely covers 4-way stretchable material layer 220 from edge to edge and provides releasable adhesion to the railing or hand support system. Releasable adhesive 224 provides secure adhesion to the railing or

hand support system but may be removed with a minimal amount of effort by peeling wrap-around advertising surface 200 off the railing or hand support system. Any adhesive having the characteristics of being secured to the railing as well as being easily removed can be utilized; a preferred An example of a releasable adhesive is Flexicon FLEXCON® V-58.
